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**MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director(Support)**

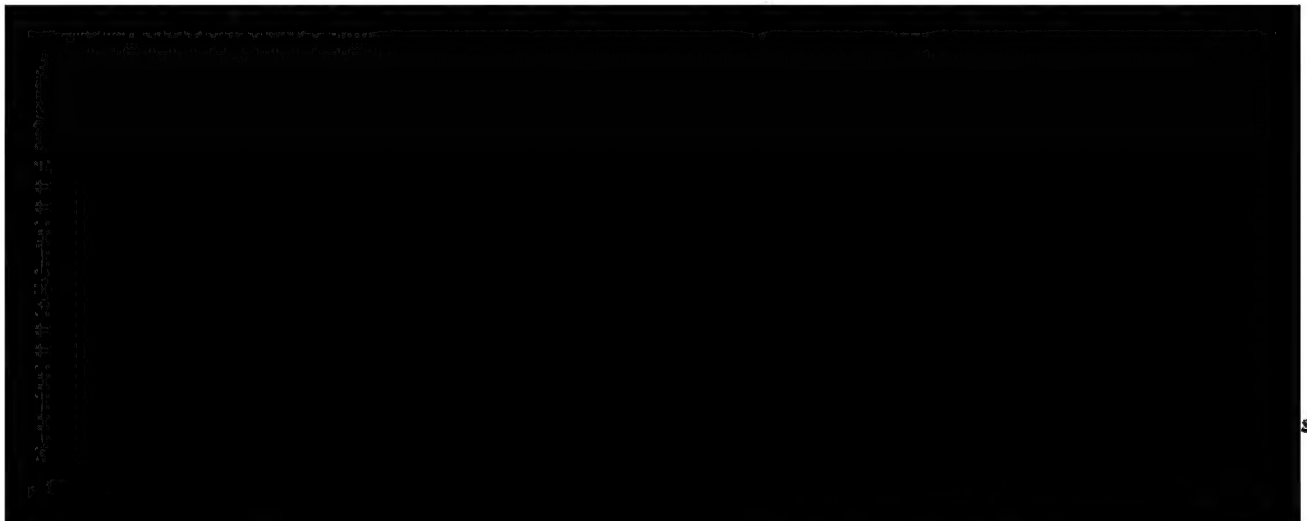
**SUBJECT: CIA Supergrade Structure**

1. By transmittal slip dated 20 May 1955, you enclosed a copy of a staff study, subject as above, from you to the DCI and requested my comments or recommendations.

2. Not having had the benefit of material on which you based your study, I can only comment in general on the over-all problem. It appears from the study that CIA is well below agencies of comparable responsibilities in the allotment of supergrades, and any action to rectify this situation would be fully warranted.

3. I am not familiar with the supergrade structure in other components of the Agency, including those under your cognizance, and therefore cannot comment on any real or apparent inconsistencies in supergrade distribution. Nevertheless, I wish to comment on the allocation of supergrades to the Office of Communications.

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In either case this would still be well below the percentage of super-grades to total Agency personnel, which would result from an increase of supergrades to the Agency of [REDACTED] which your study proposes.

6. I have furnished you no details in support of the above comments and recommendations, but I am prepared to substantiate them.

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Director of Communications

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